

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-3 (Cancelled).

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): A camera comprising:

a white balance correcting circuit for correcting white balance of a picked-up image by picking up an image of first object on the basis of white balance data obtained by picking up an image of second object;

a focusing circuit arranged to drive a lens, wherein said lens is used for a focusing operation; and

a control circuit for controlling to pick up the image of the second object without driving said lens used for said focusing operation after operation for picking up said image of said second object by a user.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): A camera according to claim 4, the second object is white in color.

Claims 6-40 (Canceled).

Claim 41 (Currently amended): A camera according to claim 4 ~~or 39~~, further comprising:

an operation element by which a user selects at least a first mode and a second mode;

wherein said first mode is a mode in which said white balance correcting circuit corrects white balance of a picked-up image by picking up an image of third object on the basis of white balance data corresponding to a light source, which has been beforehand

prepared, and said second mode is a mode in which said white balance correcting circuit corrects said white balance of said picked-up image by picking up said image of said first object on the basis of said white balance data obtained by picking up said image of said second object,

a second control circuit for displaying a screen used for picking up an image of said second object in a display in said camera.

Claim 42 (Previously Presented): A camera according to claim 41, further comprising:

a release switch, for picking up said image of said first object, which is operated by a user;

a third control circuit for operating said focusing circuit and then picking up said image of said first object according to operation of said release switch.

Claim 43 (Previously Presented): A camera according to claim 42, wherein said image of said second object is picked up by operation of said release switch in said second mode.

Claims 44-45 (Cancelled).

Claim 46 (Previously Presented): A control method for controlling a camera having a focusing circuit arranged to drive a lens, wherein said lens is used for a focusing operation, said control method comprising the steps of:

correcting white balance of a picked-up image by picking up an image of first object on the basis of white balance data obtained by picking up an image of second object;

controlling to pick up the image of the second object without driving said lens used for said focusing operation after operation for picking up said image of said second object.

Claims 47- 68 (Canceled).